

**ADVANCED GCE  
MATHEMATICS**

Mechanics 4

**4731**

Candidates answer on the answer booklet.

**OCR supplied materials:**

- 8 page answer booklet (sent with general stationery)
- List of Formulae (MF1)

**Other materials required:**

- Scientific or graphical calculator

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Morning**

**Duration:** 1 hour 30 minutes



**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

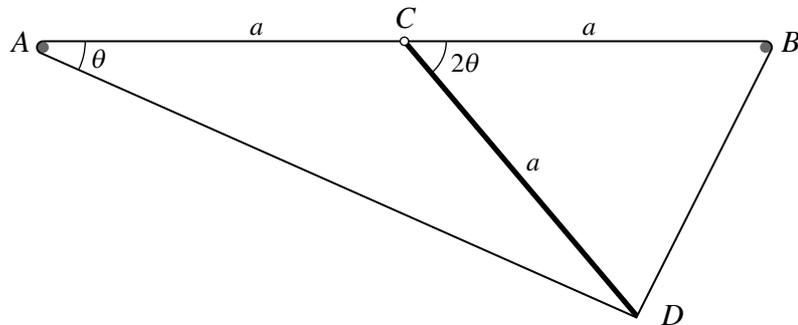
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.
- Give non-exact numerical answers correct to 3 significant figures unless a different degree of accuracy is specified in the question or is clearly appropriate.
- The acceleration due to gravity is denoted by  $g \text{ m s}^{-2}$ . Unless otherwise instructed, when a numerical value is needed, use  $g = 9.8$ .
- You are permitted to use a scientific or graphical calculator in this paper.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- **You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.**
- The total number of marks for this paper is **72**.
- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

- 1 When the power is turned off, a fan disk inside a jet engine slows down with constant angular deceleration  $0.8 \text{ rad s}^{-2}$ .
- (i) Find the time taken for the angular speed to decrease from  $950 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$  to  $750 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ . [2]
- (ii) Find the angle through which the disk turns as the angular speed decreases from  $220 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$  to  $200 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ . [2]
- (iii) Find the time taken for the disk to make the final 10 revolutions before coming to rest. [3]
- 2 A straight rod  $AB$  has length  $a$ . The rod has variable density, and at a distance  $x$  from  $A$  its mass per unit length is  $ke^{-\frac{x}{a}}$ , where  $k$  is a constant. Find, in an exact form, the distance of the centre of mass of the rod from  $A$ . [7]
- 3 A uniform rod  $XY$ , of mass  $5 \text{ kg}$  and length  $1.8 \text{ m}$ , is free to rotate in a vertical plane about a fixed horizontal axis through  $X$ . The rod is at rest with  $Y$  vertically below  $X$  when a couple of constant moment is applied to the rod. It then rotates, and comes instantaneously to rest when  $XY$  is horizontal.
- (i) Find the moment of the couple. [4]
- (ii) Find the angular acceleration of the rod
- (a) immediately after the couple is first applied, [3]
- (b) when  $XY$  is horizontal. [2]

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Two small smooth pegs  $A$  and  $B$  are fixed at a distance  $2a$  apart on the same horizontal level, and  $C$  is the mid-point of  $AB$ . A uniform rod  $CD$ , of mass  $m$  and length  $a$ , is freely pivoted at  $C$  and can rotate in the vertical plane containing  $AB$ , with  $D$  below the level of  $AB$ . A light elastic string, of natural length  $a$  and modulus of elasticity  $3mg$ , passes round the peg  $A$  and its ends are attached to  $C$  and  $D$ . Another light elastic string, of natural length  $a$  and modulus of elasticity  $4mg$ , passes round the peg  $B$  and its ends are also attached to  $C$  and  $D$ . The angle  $CAD$  is  $\theta$ , where  $0 < \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi$ , so that the angle  $BCD$  is  $2\theta$  (see diagram).

- (i) Taking  $AB$  as the reference level for gravitational potential energy, show that the total potential energy of the system is

$$\frac{1}{2}mga(14 - 2 \cos 2\theta - \sin 2\theta). \quad [5]$$

- (ii) Find the value of  $\theta$  for which the system is in equilibrium. [3]

- (iii) Determine whether this position of equilibrium is stable or unstable. [2]

- 5 The region inside the circle  $x^2 + y^2 = a^2$  is rotated about the  $x$ -axis to form a uniform solid sphere of radius  $a$  and volume  $\frac{4}{3}\pi a^3$ . The mass of the sphere is  $10M$ .

(i) Show by integration that the moment of inertia of the sphere about the  $x$ -axis is  $4Ma^2$ . (You may assume the standard formula  $\frac{1}{2}mr^2$  for the moment of inertia of a uniform disc about its axis.) [6]

The sphere is free to rotate about a fixed horizontal axis which is a diameter of the sphere. A particle of mass  $M$  is attached to the lowest point of the sphere. The sphere with the particle attached then makes small oscillations as a compound pendulum.

(ii) Find, in terms of  $a$  and  $g$ , the approximate period of these oscillations. [5]

- 6 Two ships  $P$  and  $Q$  are moving on straight courses with constant speeds. At one instant  $Q$  is 80 km from  $P$  on a bearing of  $220^\circ$ . Three hours later,  $Q$  is 36 km due south of  $P$ .

(i) Show that the velocity of  $Q$  relative to  $P$  is  $19.1 \text{ km h}^{-1}$  in the direction with bearing  $063.8^\circ$  (both correct to 3 significant figures). [5]

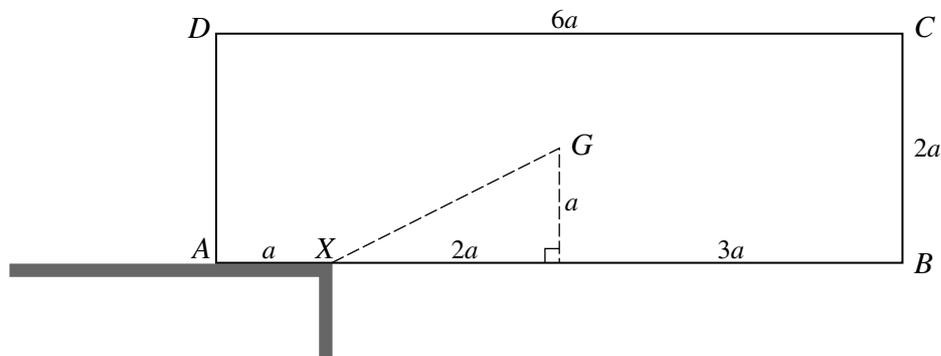
(ii) Find the shortest distance between the two ships in the subsequent motion. [2]

Given that the speed of  $P$  is  $28 \text{ km h}^{-1}$  and  $Q$  is travelling in the direction with bearing  $105^\circ$ , find

(iii) the bearing of the direction in which  $P$  is travelling, [3]

(iv) the speed of  $Q$ . [2]

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A uniform rectangular block of mass  $m$  and cross-section  $ABCD$  has  $AB = CD = 6a$  and  $AD = BC = 2a$ . The point  $X$  is on  $AB$  such that  $AX = a$  and  $G$  is the centre of  $ABCD$ . The block is placed with  $AB$  perpendicular to the straight edge of a rough horizontal table.  $AX$  is in contact with the table and  $XB$  overhangs the edge (see diagram). The block is released from rest in this position, and it rotates without slipping about a horizontal axis through  $X$ .

(i) Find the moment of inertia of the block about the axis of rotation. [3]

For the instant when  $XG$  is horizontal,

(ii) show that the angular acceleration of the block is  $\frac{3\sqrt{5}g}{25a}$ , [2]

(iii) find the angular speed of the block, [3]

(iv) show that the force exerted by the table on the block has magnitude  $\frac{2\sqrt{70}}{25}mg$ . [8]

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